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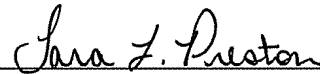
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For: RIBBONED POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING FIBER AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, AND  
POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING OPTICAL FIBER ARRAY  
USING THE SAME

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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE  
(37 C.F.R. §1.312)**

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed July 8, 2008, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.